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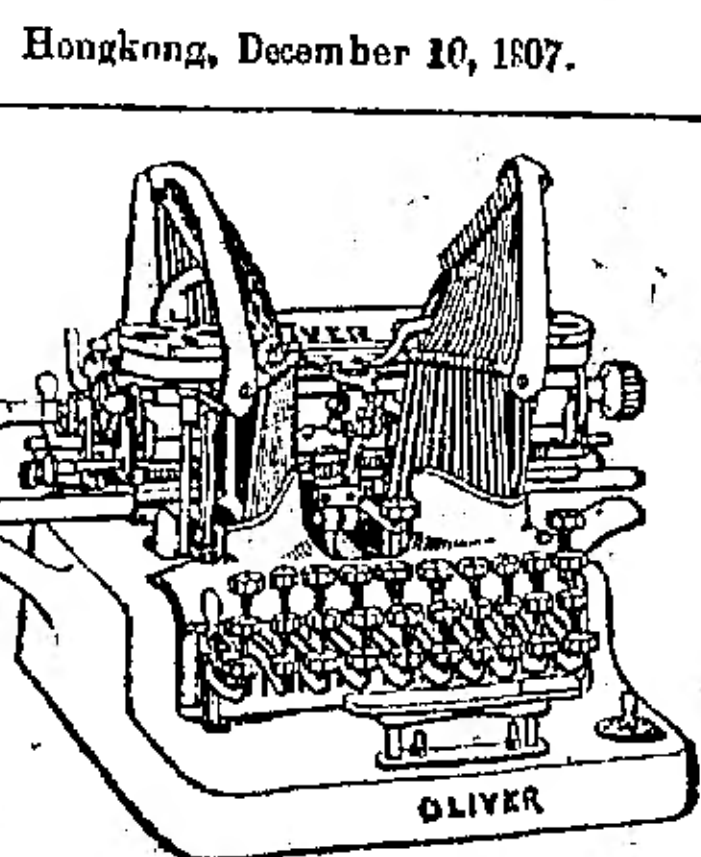
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Amusements.
9 p.m.—Performance at City Hall.

General Memoranda.

THURSDAY, April 9.—
2.30 p.m.—Auction of Household Furni-
ture, &c., at Mr. Geo. P. Lammert's
Sales Room.
Transfer Books of Union Insurance So-
ciety of Canton, Ltd., close from this
date to 23rd April, inclusive.
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2.30 p.m.—Auction of Household Furni-
ture, &c., at "La Hacienda," 74, The
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5 p.m.—Auction of Postage Stamps,
at Mr. Geo. P. Lammert's Sales Room.
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2.30 p.m.—Auction of Household Furni-
ture, &c., at No. 4, Victoria View,
Kowloon.
MONDAY, April 13.—
2.10 p.m.—Meeting of His Majesty's
Justices of Peace at the Magistracy.
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2.30 p.m.—Auction of Household Furni-
ture, &c., at "La Hacienda," 74, The
Peak.WEDNESDAY, April 15.—
2 p.m.—Auction of Motor Launch Mar-
quise, at Ah King's Slipway.THURSDAY, April 23.—
12.30 p.m.—Meeting of China Traders'
Insurance Co., Ltd., at Head Office.

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HONGKONG, TUESDAY, APRIL 7, 1908.

A KNOCK-OUT BLOW.

That a weak attempt was made at the
special meeting of the Sanitary Board
yesterday to defeat the purpose for
which the meeting was summoned was so
in accord with the tactics which have
been consistently adopted in connection
with the Health Commission that it ex-
cites no surprise. Inevitably it failed.The powerful speech made by Mr. Shel-
ton Hooper amply bears out the claim
that we made immediately after the
publication of His Excellency's speech
introducing the Amending Ordinance,
that the Governor had been misinformed
in regard to certain vital facts. We
do not say that His Excellency was wil-
fully misinformed, we prefer to adopt
the expression that Mr. Hooper em-
ployed, "inadvertently misinformed." Mr.
Hooper was able to show that the Com-
mission was not primarily intended to
investigate charges of corruption against
civil servants. The Commission was
appointed to investigate complaints in
regard to the administration of the
sanitary laws. The refutation of the
allegation that the duty of the Commis-
sion was chiefly to inquire into charges
of bribery destroys the value of the ar-
guments brought forward by His Ex-
cellency. If it could be shown that the
Commission had exceeded its reference
then the official arguments would be
valid and unanswerable. But Mr.
Hooper was able to show that the then
Governor, Sir Matthew Nathan, was fully
cognizant of the trend of the Commis-
sion's inquiries and permitted the Com-
missioners to see the correspondence
which passed between the Government
and the Secretary of State for the Co-

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

The Liao River is now entirely freed
from ice.The Chinese Government has declared
for compulsory primary education.The British Government is prepared
to prohibit the importation into China of
morphine and morphine needles providing
other Powers do the same.A public vaccination office has been
opened in Tientsin city by order of the
Viceroy but the Chinese decline to take
advantage of it preferring the old system
of nose inoculation.Canton streets are unusually bad just
at the moment. They are dug up every-
where for the purpose of laying water
mains and it is very difficult to travel about,
even in chairs.Orders have been issued to each Chi-
nese province to inform the Central Gov-
ernment of the actual—not theoretical—
revenue and expenditure and the currency
most favoured locally.There were 324 European and 123
Chinese visitors to the City Hall Library,
and 145 European and 2,045 Chinese
visitors to the Museum during the week
ended the 5th April.The Waiwup has decided to prohibit
the departure of any more indentured
coolies and announces that the unemployed
will be set to work upon uncultivated land,
the Government providing their pay.On the strength of the action of the
Newchwang Chamber of Commerce in
regard to the Fukien Railway a message
has been sent to the Chinese of that town
from Canton, inviting them to co-operate
in wiping out "the national disgrace."Owing to the protest of the British,
American and Japanese Ministers the
enforcement of mining regulations by China
has been postponed from the 16th March
but as the date of postponement has ex-
pired, the regulations are now in force.The Grimly traveler came, some of
whose hands were killed and injured by
the firing of Admiral Rozhdestvensky's
fleet in the North Sea during the Russo-
Japanese war, on the rocks near Tobruk
on 23rd Feb., her crew being saved.In consequence of floods in the Liao
River, the temporary railway bridge be-
tween Chulin and Hsinlung has been
declared unsafe for trains to cross. It will
be necessary, therefore, until further notice
for passengers to detain and walk over
the bridge enjoining on the other side.There has been a fire at the coal mine
at Pinghsien (Y) which several dozens of
people were killed. Twenty days have
elapsed since then but the fire is not
extinguished. An offer is made to the
public of a reward of \$20,000 for exting-
uishing the fire.The Board of Colonies at Peking has
memorialized that according to a report
from the chief of the Sinciang League
mounted bandits are plundering cattle and
wounding Mongolian soldiers, and the
Board has asked the Viceroy of Manchuria,
Hsu Shih-chang, be ordered to suppress
the bandits.To-morrow evening the Japanese
Magic and Comedy Company will give a
performance in the City Hall. The Com-
pany is on tour to Europe and will remain
in Hongkong for three days only. The
entertainment promises to be a successful
one and the conjuring tricks are said to be
well worth witnessing. Messrs. Moutrie
and Company are in charge of the booking.The "Peking and Tientsin Times,"
speaking of Japan's opposition to the
Fukien railway, says: "In Governments,
as in individuals, greediness is its own
punishment, and it does not need the
increasing antagonistic comments on Japan,
appearing in powerful home journals, to
realize that a red in pickle is being pre-
pared that will lead to the advisability
of withdrawing her unjustifiable opposition
to a legitimate undertaking."Thus the "China Critic:" "As we
have repeatedly reported things in Peking
are decidedly topsy-turvy, and the Court
and the higher officials have all got the
funk. This would not matter so much if
it did not affect business; which is now
also in a parlous state. Merchants and
others with money absolutely refuse to
do anything while the present state of
anarchy and chaos exists. The police are
seemingly quite helpless; and are evidently
neither numerous nor trained enough to
cope with such extensive anti-dynastic and
other local disturbances."A Chicago professor has been experi-
menting in order to ascertain whether
flowers are sensible to music. He states
that Wagner's music produced no effect
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LOCAL AND GENERAL.

The Liao River is now entirely freed
from ice.The Chinese Government has declared
for compulsory primary education.The British Government is prepared
to prohibit the importation into China of
morphine and morphine needles providing
other Powers do the same.A public vaccination office has been
opened in Tientsin city by order of the
Viceroy but the Chinese decline to take
advantage of it preferring the old system
of nose inoculation.Canton streets are unusually bad just
at the moment. They are dug up every-
where for the purpose of laying water
mains and it is very difficult to travel about,
even in chairs.Orders have been issued to each Chi-
nese province to inform the Central Gov-
ernment of the actual—not theoretical—
revenue and expenditure and the currency
most favoured locally.There were 324 European and 123
Chinese visitors to the City Hall Library,
and 145 European and 2,045 Chinese
visitors to the Museum during the week
ended the 5th April.The Waiwup has decided to prohibit
the departure of any more indentured
coolies and announces that the unemployed
will be set to work upon uncultivated land,
the Government providing their pay.On the strength of the action of the
Newchwang Chamber of Commerce in
regard to the Fukien Railway a message
has been sent to the Chinese of that town
from Canton, inviting them to co-operate
in wiping out "the national disgrace."Owing to the protest of the British,
American and Japanese Ministers the
enforcement of mining regulations by China
has been postponed from the 16th March
but as the date of postponement has ex-
pired, the regulations are now in force.The Grimly traveler came, some of
whose hands were killed and injured by
the firing of Admiral Rozhdestvensky's
fleet in the North Sea during the Russo-
Japanese war, on the rocks near Tobruk
on 23rd Feb., her crew being saved.In consequence of floods in the Liao
River, the temporary railway bridge be-
tween Chulin and Hsinlung has been
declared unsafe for trains to cross. It will
be necessary, therefore, until further notice
for passengers to detain and walk over
the bridge enjoining on the other side.There has been a fire at the coal mine
at Pinghsien (Y) which several dozens of
people were killed. Twenty days have
elapsed since then but the fire is not
extinguished. An offer is made to the
public of a reward of \$20,000 for exting-
uishing the fire.The Board of Colonies at Peking has
memorialized that according to a report
from the chief of the Sinciang League
mounted bandits are plundering cattle and
wounding Mongolian soldiers, and the
Board has asked the Viceroy of Manchuria,
Hsu Shih-chang, be ordered to suppress
the bandits.To-morrow evening the Japanese
Magic and Comedy Company will give a
performance in the City Hall. The Com-
pany is on tour to Europe and will remain
in Hongkong for three days only. The
entertainment promises to be a successful
one and the conjuring tricks are said to be
well worth witnessing. Messrs. Moutrie
and Company are in charge of the booking.The "Peking and Tientsin Times,"
speaking of Japan's opposition to the
Fukien railway, says: "In Governments,
as in individuals, greediness is its own
punishment, and it does not need the
increasing antagonistic comments on Japan,
appearing in powerful home journals, to
realize that a red in pickle is being pre-
pared that will lead to the advisability
of withdrawing her unjustifiable opposition
to a legitimate undertaking."Thus the "China Critic:" "As we
have repeatedly reported things in Peking
are decidedly topsy-turvy, and the Court
and the higher officials have all got the
funk. This would not matter so much if
it did not affect business; which is now
also in a parlous state. Merchants and
others with money absolutely refuse to
do anything while the present state of
anarchy and chaos exists. The police are
seemingly quite helpless; and are evidently
neither numerous nor trained enough to
cope with such extensive anti-dynastic and
other local disturbances."A Chicago professor has been experi-
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LOCAL AND GENERAL.

It is believed that the Zoological and
Botanical Garden in Seoul will be com-
pleted by the end of April.There will shortly arrive in Hongkong
the French yacht Nirvana. She is not a
large vessel, having a tonnage of 285.
This is the vessel which took the Empress
Eugenie to Colombo from Europe, but the
Royal passenger returned by the mail
steamer, not caring to make the trip to
the Far East. The owner, Madame la
Comtesse de Beaumont, and a party of six
ladies and gentlemen make up the pas-
senger list as now constituted. They are
Messrs. Vendi Daledio, Pujos du Condry,
Baron du Guerno, Cordier, Dr Ravang and
Lacros.On March 25 the business centre of
Nikko was devastated by fire, about 90
houses being destroyed. Among the build-
ings burned down are the Kouishi Hotel,
the Kobayashi Curio Store, and the Nikko
Bazaar. The loss of the Kobayashi Curio
Store alone is estimated at no less than
¥30,000, while the total damage done is
under ¥1,000,000. The fire originated in
a small eating house at Kami Hachisaki at
3.30 o'clock on Wednesday morning. The
flames spread rapidly in all directions, and
in about two hours about 90 houses were
swept away, as stated. This fire will be
another severe blow to the insurance office.In yesterday's issue we published a
report by local architects written at the
request of the principal European land
owners. It will interest the public to
know that the land-owners, who represent
millions of dollars, are: Messrs. Jardine,
Matheson and Co., Ltd., Messrs. D. Sas-
son and Co., Ltd., Messrs. E. D. Sasson
and Co., Messrs. Siemens and Co.,
Messrs. Linsted and Davis, H. N.
Mody, Esq., The Hongkong Land
Investment and Agency Co., Ltd., The
West Point Building Company, Ltd.,
The Kowloon Land & Building Company,
The Hongkong Land Reclamation
Company, Ltd., The Humphreys Estate &
Finance Company, Ltd., The China Pro-
prietor Loan & Mortgage Company, Ltd.,
The Canton Insurance Office, The Hong-
kong Fire Insurance Company, Ltd., The
China Fire Insurance Company, Ltd., The
Hongkong, Canton and Macao Steamboat
Company, Ltd., The Spanish Dominican
Procurement, Societe des Missions Etran-
geres.RECALCITRANT CHINESE
PASSENGERS.

Refuse to Pay Fares.

(From Our Correspondent.)

CANTON, April 5.
The Sui Tai carried on Saturday about
four hundred Chinese passengers to Macao.
When the fares were being collected a con-
siderable number refused to pay more than
twenty cents, the regulation fare being
thirty cents. As the Sui Tai entered the
bay Captain Hamilton hoisted the police
signals. In response to these about half a
dozen police met the steamer at the wharf.One cannot help wondering how this force
could have coped with the difficulties had
the signals meant "looting" instead of
what they did. As the Chinese stepped
on the wharf their queues were tied three
by three or four by four, and they them-
selves put standing group by group until
the entire number emerged.Many people think the steamship com-
pany were at fault. It appears they allow
Chinese to travel by the steamer ship for
twenty cents, and this, it is said, is the reason
why the Sui Tai's passengers rebelled.It seems hard lines to lock up 150 pro-
vision-carrying unfortunates who had come
down to spend the week and with their
friends in Macao—lock them up because
they offered to pay the same sum accepted
from their countrymen on the Sui-An.

The Official Explanation.

Interviewed this morning by a represen-
tative of "The China Mail" Captain Clark
of the Hongkong, Canton and Macao S.S.
Co., said: "What really happened was
that during Saturday morning, some evil
disposed and malicious person for some
reason or other, altered the Chinese
character from thirty to twenty cents, on
the notice on the wharf. In order to get
at that notice the person or persons would
have to get a chair or something to stand on,
because it was put high up in order to pre-
vent anyone altering the figures without au-
thority. On the steamer similar notices have
been posted up, and since the last altera-
tion of the rates they remained unaltered.
Written instructions were also given to the
Commander making the alteration of the
rate two weeks ago. This ought to have
been sufficient to have proved to anyone
that the alteration on the wharf was
incorrect. About a hundred of the pas-
sengers gave a good deal of trouble as some
of the more rowdy element started the
bother.""Most of the passengers were satisfied
that the alteration was the malicious act
of someone unconnected with the company,
but as the remaining few would not pay
their proper fare the Captain was obliged
to hoist the police signal. At the landing
stage the bulk of the passengers paid their
fares, and the few who escaped were not
bothered about."

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CATHEDRAL ROBBED.

HISTORIC TROPHY STOLEN.

(Excludes, Service supplied by Router,
via Bombay.)LONDON, March 6.
Robbers have entered the Cathedral
of St. Peter and St. Paul at St. Peters-
burg, which contains the tombs of the
Tsars, and carried off an historic trophy,
the enormous key of the fortress
Guigulinsk at Poland which was kept
there.[The Cathedral of St. Peter and St.
Paul stands inside the huge fortress of the
same name which is situated on the River
Neva. The fortress was built by Peter
the Great. All the tombs of the former
Tsars of Russia and their families are
within the Cathedral and are of regal
magnificence. Gold, silver, diamonds and
other precious stones and innumerable
historic trophies decorate the tombs. The
fortress of St. Peter and St. Paul figures
largely in the history of Russia. There
were imprisoned, and sometimes slain, all
protectors of the Russian throne, enemies
of the monarchs and favorites of whom
they had wearied. Among these victims was
the young and beautiful Princess Daria
who was imprisoned there by order of the
Emperor Elizabeth. The unfortunate Czar
Peter III was also imprisoned in the
fortress for a short while after he was
seized by order of his wife, Catherine II.
Peter the Great had his own son killed in
this fortress and numbers of his political
enemies were assassinated there while held
in captivity. From the very earliest
period the fortress has been used as a
prison for those accused of political
offences. Within its gloomy walls thou-
sands upon thousands of unhappy men and
women have languished and died. Escape
therefrom was impossible as the prison was
guarded with the utmost care. The
Cathedral is so situated that it would be
absolutely impossible for anyone to enter
without the direct connivance of the garri-
son of the fortress. This incident reported,
if true, would be of the gravest importance
to the autocratic Government and the Czar.
The news will sound incredible to Russian
ears. They will expect next to hear that
Czar Nicholas has been stolen from Tarskoe.
Sole.—Ed., G. M.]

VICEROY TUAN FANG.

STRICKEN WITH APOPLEXY.

(From Our Correspondent.)

SHANGHAI, April 7.
H.E. Viceroy Tuan Fang has sustained
an apoplectic stroke and seems to be
paralysed.[Tuan Fang is a native of Manchuria,
and commenced his career as senior sec-
retary to the Board of Works. He was given
the rank of Minister of 3rd grade and sub-
sequently appointed Administrator General
of Trade and Agriculture

THE LICENSING BILL.

MEASURE POSTPONED.

(Exclusive Service, supplied by Reuter, via Bombay.)

LONDON, April 6.
The debate on the second reading of the New Licensing Bill, which was fixed for to-day will be postponed, and the Commons will possibly adjourn the measure for a week, to vote supply and deal with contentious business.

SERIOUS LOCK-OUT.

50,000 MEN IDLE.

(Exclusive Service, supplied by Reuter, via Bombay.)

LONDON, April 6.
Disputes in the building trade in Paris have culminated in a lock-out. It is estimated that at least 50,000 men have been thrown out of employment.

MOROCCO.

FRENCH REINFORCEMENTS.

(Exclusive Service, supplied by Reuter, via Bombay.)

LONDON, April 6.
On Saturday 568 French soldiers left Algiers to reinforce the troops at Casa Blanca.

THE PREMIERSHIP.

MR ASQUITH SUMMONED TO BIARRITZ.

(Exclusive Service, supplied by Reuter, via Bombay.)

LONDON, April 6.
Having been summoned by His Majesty the King to Biarritz, the Right Hon. Mr Asquith will probably start to-day.

CAMPBELL-BANNERMAN'S RESIGNATION.

LONDON, April 6.
Sir Henry Campbell-Bannerman has resigned. The King has summoned Mr Asquith to Biarritz.

THE UNIVERSITY BOAT RACE.

LONDON, April 5.
Cambridge has won the boat race.

RUSSIA IN MANCHURIA.

LONDON, April 5.
Washington advises that Mr Root and Baron de Rosen, the Russian Minister, have had a conference, presumably on the subject of Russia's sphere of influence in Manchuria. It is believed that the United States will have little difficulty in maintaining her attitude. China has already pointed out that the Director of the Eastern Railroad should be appointed by China, whereas the position is now held by a Russian residing in Harbin.

Newspaper Comment.

LONDON, April 6.
The St. Petersburg papers strongly protest against the attitude of the American Consul in Harbin as an unjustifiable attempt to interfere in Russo-Chinese and Russo-Japanese relations. According to the "Slovo" Germany supports the American standpoint.

ANGLO-AMERICAN TREATY.

LONDON, April 5.
The Anglo-American arbitration Treaty has been signed.

THE STRIKES IN ROME.

LONDON, April 5.
The strike in Rome has been abandoned and the city is quieting.

GET A BOTTLE TO-DAY.

CHOLERA, as in the stomach, and diarrhoea are not only painful, but may indicate a serious disorder. Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy relieves promptly and cures permanently. For sale by all chemists and druggists.

THE BOYCOTT.

BURN NO JAPANESE COAL.

(From Our Correspondent.)

CANTON, April 6.
The Chinese realise that the most important factor to be considered to carry out the boycott to its effective end is the coal question, over which the Self-Government Society is worried. Members of the society are discussing the matter. Two Chinese from Hongkong have made some suggestions. They propose that the society should at once undertake to underwrite half of the capital of a Company which is to be formed to work a coal mine in the proximity in the Kwang provinces. Those two men, Mr Chan and Mr Fung, would agree to provide the other half. Their suggestions are to be put before the meeting to be held to-day.

Support from Shansi.

Chinese merchants at Shansi province have written to the Self-Government Society supporting the boycott, emphasising the necessity of working China's own coal mines. Shansi Cantonese estimate the quantity of Japanese coal consumed in China to amount to \$100,000 a day. They have pointed out that in Shansi there is sufficient coal to last for 1,500 years at the present rate of consumption in the world and ask for assistance to develop the coal mines there.

Destroying Cigarettes.

A report has reached the Self-Government Society here that a Queen's Road firm in Hongkong has destroyed a quantity of Japanese cigarettes. This sacrifice on the part of the firm in question was specially brought about in order to give force to the boycott in Hongkong.

At Canton City.

The scene in the inner city here is a quiet one. In Sun Fat Po and other streets boycotting posters are noticeable.

Military and other students have refused the use of all Japanese articles and what is significant is the fact that absolutely no machine products from Japan are used in most hotels and restaurants.

Notwithstanding that Japanese goods are unfavourably in the markets a number of Japanese crowd the streets with Japanese articles, which they offer to the public in spite of the fact that all Chinese, whom they approach, refuse to purchase. The Chinese take this to mean that the Japanese specially desire to make trouble in order to extort money out of China, that in view of the fact that the Chinese are so furious at the moment that anything offered to them by the Japanese might provoke a fight which may possibly bring about a fatality.

This being their view, the Self-Government has circulated countless notices throughout the city counselling the people at large to make no disturbance if they do not buy from the Japanese.

The Waiwupu and the Viceroy.

(From Our Correspondent.)

CANTON, April 6.
Peking seems to be over-excited over the boycotting movement in the South. Viceroy Chang Jen Chun's memorial for retirement from office was not granted, and he was ordered to remain at his post. He has received further telegrams from the Waiwupu to keep a strict watch over the movement, and has been instructed to see that Japanese commercial interests do not suffer. This is a pretty hard job for the Viceroy to do. The Viceroy has also instructions to protect the Japanese Consulate in anticipation of trouble.

SIR JOHN JORDAN.

Entertained by the Viceroy.

(From Our Correspondent.)

CANTON, April 5.
His Excellency Sir John Jordan, British Minister at Peking, called on the Viceroy on the 3rd inst. He was accompanied by Mr Mansfield, British Consul-General at Canton, and others. After the customary ceremony the Ministerial party was shown into the foreign reception hall where Sir John was entertained at luncheon by the Viceroy. A band from the Canton Military forces played selections. There were present, in addition to the Minister and party, the Customs Commissioners; Provincial Treasurer Wu; Chief Justice Tsang; Admiral Li Chun; Tao-tai Wei Han (Director, Canton Kowloon Railway); and Tao-tai Wen, Foreign Secretary. After luncheon Sir John called to see the site of the old Consulate, a short distance from the Viceroy's Yamen. Twenty years ago Sir John was Consul at Canton and this was the Consulate he occupied.

SOLDIERS AT CANTON.

(From Our Correspondent.)

CANTON, April 6.
Troops from the various quarters continue to arrive here. There are sufficient men to make six divisions. The official reports that the monthly expenditure for the maintenance of this army is now Taels 54,000. A very large sum must be required for the year if the reorganisation continues at the present rate.

It is not weather it is hard work to take cod liver oil. But Stearns' Wins of Cod Liver Oil is not greasy or oily, and it tastes so good that you wish you had taken more of it every day.

A KNOCK OUT BLOW.



After "Hop" in Sydney "Bulletin."

AMENDING HEALTH ORDINANCE.

THE COMMISSION'S REPLY.

Government's Case Demolished.

For the first time since His Excellency the Governor made his speech on the Amending Health Ordinance, in the course of which he charged the Health Commission with exceeding the terms of its reference, the public has had an opportunity of hearing authoritatively the other side of the question. This was at a special meeting of the Sanitary Board held yesterday. The answer of the Commission was conclusive and crushing. Mr Shelton Hooper was enabled to show that His Excellency had been inadvertently misled and that the deductions he drew and the conclusions he arrived at were vitiated by the fact that they were based on erroneous premises.

Below we give a full report of the meeting. The Hon. Dr J. M. Atkinson (President), presided, and there were also present: Hon. Mr W. Chatham (Vice-President), Captain Lyons, Dr Macfarlane; Hon. Mr E. A. Irvine, Mr A. Shelton Hooper, Mr Fung Wa Chun, Mr H. Humphreys, Mr E. A. W. Slade, Mr Lau Chupak; and Dr W. W. Pearce (Medical Officer of Health), and Mr C. M. Messer (Acting Secretary).

"The Hon. Dr Atkinson said:—The business before the meeting this afternoon is the discussion of a minute on the Bill amending the Public Health and Building Ordinance, and during the morning I received from one of the unofficial members of the Board a report from two of the local firms of architects, which I understand includes the greater part of the criticisms of the unofficial members of the Board. In the concluding paragraph of this letter from the architects they state:—'We would suggest an interview at which we could meet the Honorable Colonial Secretary and Director of Public Works to discuss the technical points raised in this bill, and it might possibly result in most of our proposals being adopted before the bill is read a second time.' I believe it is the wish of the unofficial members not to consider this bill until after such interview has been held. With reference to Mr Lau Chu Pak's minute on the bill, it will be necessary for the Board to have an expert Medical Officer as one of its members. The duties of the Medical Officer of Health are specially laid down in the Standing Orders and they are practically the same as those drawn up by the Local Government Board at Home. I very much doubt if there is any difference from those drawn up for the guidance of the M. O. H. at Shanghai. These can be obtained, only it must be remembered that at Shanghai, the same officer practically combines the two positions of M. O. H. and bacteriologist. With reference to the business, all matters that are strictly not of a routine nature are submitted to the Board. I have submitted President since 1897, and have submitted all matters to the Board in the same way as was done before the passing of Ordinance 23 of 1903. Indeed, the order of business is distinctly laid down in the Standing Orders. With regard to the letter from the Government forwarding a copy of the Howard speech made by His Excellency on the amending bill I understand this was sent for the information of members of the board, as a correct copy of what he said and it was not intended that there should be any discussion on the speech by members of the Board before it had been debated in the Legislative Council. If any member wishes to speak on this speech I do not intend to rule him out of order but would leave him in the hands of members whether it would not be better to postpone any criticism until after the speech has been considered in the Legislative Council.

Mr Humphreys:—Do I understand that this meeting is to be postponed? I mean to say, if we are not to speak about anything I suppose the only other thing is to adjourn the meeting.

Dr Atkinson:—Am I correct in saying that this report practically incorporates the greater part of the criticisms of unofficial members and it is not the wish of unofficial members to consider the bill until after their suggestion has been carried out?

Mr Hooper:—With regard to the suggestion that you have made to this report I think it would be well to state exactly how this report comes into your hands. When the Bill was presented to the Legislative Council and read a first time the European Landowners met and adopted a course

similar to what they did in 1902, when the principal Ordinance was brought before the Legislative Council, and employed local architects to criticize the technical details of the bill. In this case they employed Messrs Leigh and Orange and Messrs Palmer and Turner and those gentlemen made their report to the Landowners Committee, which met on Saturday. I presided over that meeting and was requested to send a copy to the Government and a copy to the Sanitary Board. That is how you got it officially. To save time I have supplied each of the members of the Legislative Council and of the Sanitary Board with a copy. With regard to the covering letter from the architect, and more particularly with regard to the last clause, I pointed out that for convenience I sent up the report at once but it must not be taken to include all the amendments we might consider necessary. I have had no acknowledgment of this yet; of course, it was sent rather late on Saturday afternoon. I do not know what view the Government might take of the architect's suggestion as to the interview, but if the Government acquiesce in that then the discussion on the technical points of the bill may well stand over. Coming back to the other part of your speech, that the Governor's speech was not intended for criticism, I would in no way wish to harass or embarrass the Government by criticising any remarks made by His Excellency unless I think these remarks may have a bearing on the consideration of certain sections, and bearing that in mind, and also in justification of the Commission which performed certain duties and which His Excellency states has been exceeded by every Englishman—His Excellency would allow any member of the Commission, on behalf of that Commission, to justify its actions if they were able to produce good evidence and show that His Excellency had been seriously misled. With that object in view it would be necessary for me, in justifying ourselves, to refer to certain documents which were of a confidential nature. I have the authority, and permission of His Excellency the Governor to use whatever papers or communications I may think proper, provided it is not to the disadvantage of the public interest of the Colony. I certainly would not exceed that. I therefore, think it will be necessary for me to correct one or two statements in that and I purpose to address my remarks now to one or two of them. If the Board, as a Board, think such a course is improper, then I am willing not to proceed, but unless the Board, as a Board, think so, I think it is in fact that we should endeavour to justify ourselves from one or two serious points upon us.

Hon Mr Chatham:—Personally, I am only one member of the Board but I think it would be somewhat improper to introduce these points in the discussion at this Board. The copy of the speech made by His Excellency was sent to us in order that members might have an account of report of what His Excellency said on that occasion, as there were various mistakes in the reports which appeared in the ordinary daily papers. I think it would be somewhat out of place for the members of the Board at this time to discuss His Excellency's speech.

Mr Hooper:—I do not leave it to any individual member of the Board and would, therefore, ask you to take a vote as to the wishes of the Board. In the event of the vote going against me we should have to adopt other means for our justification, for not only has it been sent to this Board but it has been published in every newspaper. These charges must be refuted somehow; therefore, I would ask you to take a vote.

Mr Slade:—I think Mr Shelton Hooper does not really intend to criticise the speech of the Governor. He wishes to explain certain remarks made by His Excellency and to show that they were based as he said, on "mis-information." It is not exactly criticism.

Dr Atkinson:—As I have said, I do not intend, personally as President, to rule Mr Hooper, or any other member who may speak on this subject, out of order. I do not think it is a matter on which to take a vote. I think we are justified in leaving it to the good sense of Mr Hooper to make any remarks he thinks fit.

Mr Hooper:—I thank you, Sir. I will try to correct those points, and give no explanation of certain remarks made by His Excellency. His Excellency said:—"I would first remind you of the history and the constitution of the Commission whose report may be said to be the immediate precedent cause of the present legislation. Complaints had been made by the unofficial members of the Sanitary Board and others that the hands of some of the subordinates of the staff of the Sanitary Department were not as clean as they might be, and that bribery and corruption existed. The idea was conceived by my predecessor of appointing the unofficial members of the Sanitary Board and others that the hands of some of the subordinates of the staff of the Sanitary Department were not as clean as they might be, and that bribery and corruption existed. 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My reply to that, Sir, is the invitation I received from the Governor on April 24, 1906, which invited me to serve as a member of the Committee which His Excellency had appointed to investigate complaints in reference to the administration of the existing Public Health and Building Ordinance. Not a word, Sir, of corruption there! Therefore, I would say most positively that His Excellency on that point has been misinformed. His Excellency goes on to say that "the report of the Commission gradually assumed the form of a severe criticism both of the past and present action of the Government. It included matters which had been settled by the Secretary of State but as there were no officials sitting on the Commission who were familiar with the correspondence between the Government and the Secretary of State, who might, therefore, have been able to correct misapprehensions, and controversies were awakened." On that point, Sir, I would say that the Commission was appointed under the Commission Act. Under that Ordinance every officer of the Government, including His Excellency, was bound to attend before us and give us what documents we wanted in case we requested them. His Excellency, of course, if he was displeased with our action, could have wiped out the Commission with a stroke of the pen, but he did not do so. Without divulging any details I may say that the Commission did see the despatches of the Governor to the Secretary of State and the despatches of the Secretary of State to the Governor. These despatches were obtained and the information gained in the usual way through the permission of Sir Matthew Nathan. That point can be verified on reference to the documents. The Governor says, further, "I speak of some only of their proposals, nor do I think that they represent the wishes of the entire community." With that I agree. No proposal ever made in this Colony would meet with the approval of the entire community. We then come to His Excellency's suggestion that the M. O. H. should have a seat on the Board, but that will come up in discussion on the constitution of the Board. I think we might possibly leave it till then. Then the Governor incidentally refers to analogous matters about the Chairman of a company being removed from his post by Directors. Well, His Excellency was a little wrong, for the Directors would have no power without consulting the Shareholders and altering the Articles of Association. He then deals with the proposed seat of the Sanitary Department and said, "He will be responsible for the proper spending of the votes for the Sanitary Department under the control of the Treasury and of the Audit Department. The appointment, however, of the head of the Department, which is provided for in this bill, does not in any way diminish the very large powers which the Ordinance confers on the Sanitary Board." Then the proposed estimates will be laid before us and he also proposes that "the head of the Sanitary Department shall consult the Sanitary Board on any suggested changes in giving effect to Sanitary bylaws; that he shall inform the Board of any change in the organization of the staff; that he shall inform them regarding any recommendations for appointment, leave or dismissal of the European staff; and that he shall lay before them any complaint of the public regarding the staff." The Commission suggested that the Sanitary Board should have unrestricted power to spend the entire sum voted for the sanitation of the Colony. I would now reply from our report. "We would, however, remind your Excellency that we have not suggested any change in the constitution of the Board, which should remain as at present. What we do propose is that the Administrative Head of the Department be transferred from the administration of the Board to the control of the finances remaining as at present in the hands of the Government." I think it is clear that His Excellency must have misread our recommendations. His Excellency goes on to say that the Commission also suggested that the Board should have the power to appoint and dismiss officers. Our recommendation was that they should be appointed and dismissed by the Government, but that they should be subject to the approval of the Board. We think all inspectors and officers of minor grades should be engaged on a monthly agreement, when it would be perfectly easy for His Excellency to get rid of any unsatisfactory servant, or if it is desirable to engage them on similar terms as members of the police force. You will see, Sir, we never suggested "appointing" to His Excellency. I will content myself with what I have just said so far as the Governor's speech is concerned until we come to the details in the other portions. Having thought it necessary to vindicate ourselves and justify our actions I beg to repeat most emphatically that it is with no want of respect to His Excellency, for whom we have all the greatest regard and who I am quite sure is wishing to do the best possible for the whole of the Colony and the whole of the community.

Dr. Atkinson—Having heard what Mr. Hooper stated with reference to this report of the architects is it the wish of the members that we discuss the bill this afternoon or shall we postpone the discussion?

Mr. Hooper—That report deals only with the technical part. The architects have not attempted to interfere with certain principles. There are two or three principles in the bill which we could go on with. One is the constitution of the Board. The bill proposes the severing from the jurisdiction of the Board certain powers and handing them over to the Building Authority. This point I think might be taken, and we also want a discussion as to the proposed Sanitary Department. These seem to me to be the three principles.

Mr. Humphreys—It seems to me at this stage important that we should consider what is omitted from the bill than what is in it. In fact, it is more important because it would be the only communication to the members of the Legislative Council, or of the views as commissioners. Of course, the report by the architects will give the

members all the technical knowledge they may wish to have in regard to the bill as proposed by the Government, and any remarks I may have to make will be confined to what is omitted from the bill. I shall simply say in passing that with the proposed constitution of the Board and transfer of certain duties to the Director of Public Works I am in agreement, except in so far as the Medical Officer of Health is concerned. Only one point occurs to me, the powers of the Director of Public Works are somewhat autocratic. For instance, the Building Authority can decide to alter the number of rooms in a house. I say that the appeal from the Building Authority should be made to the Governor-in-Council, as it is like an appeal from a Court of Appeal. I would go on with what is omitted from the bill. The Government have ignored the recommendations of the Commissioners in regard to section 175 on the ground that the Commissioners exceeded their powers, but in connection with many other similar clauses, where the Commissioners gave more or less similar advice, the Government have evaded the question and have accepted the Commissioners' recommendations. The result of ignoring section 175 is that we shall be, as we have been, in possession of laws which force on owners the cost of reconstruction amounting to twenty per cent of the actual value of the property of the owner. The Government have accepted the Commissioners' recommendations. The Director of Public Works, in course of the cross-examination before the Commission, admitted that in cases where the property is mortgaged to four-fifths of its value, it is equivalent to Government confiscation. That is to say, the whole margin of twenty per cent, was lost. If the owners received any extra rental for the increased outlay there would be no very great hardship, but, far from this being the case, they receive less rental than before, because they have less accommodation to give. The question naturally arises: Why did the Government ignore all reference to sub-section 1, Section 175? The answer can only be because it involved the Government in enormous liabilities and the Government preferred to throw the whole of these liabilities on the landlords of the Colony. But if the Government think they are not going to do anything, then it is a very mischievous policy indeed, because they will lose indirectly, if not directly, through the fall in the market prices of property in Hongkong. But the same reason would not apply to sub-section 2. The Commissioners drew attention to the enormous liabilities of the Government, neither the M. O. H. nor the D. P. W. could explain what this section meant. So that the M. O. H. or the D. P. W. will have to adjudicate as to the meaning of this sub-section. I have only one remark to make in conclusion, and I feel rather diffident about making it, but the statement was made by His Excellency in public the only opportunity of answering it is in public.

His Excellency gave his reasons for not carrying out some of the recommendations that the commissioners were not representative. In the same sense that no high officer of any service was on the commission, or the head of any "Princely House," the commission was not representative, but I think in view of the hard work of the commissioners it was a reasonable excuse. In the sense that the commission consisted of two Chinese appointed by His Excellency to represent the whole Chinese community, one Englishman appointed by His Excellency to represent the foreign community, and two members elected by the ratepayers of Hongkong, the statement was not even founded on fact. His Excellency has been uniformly kind and courteous since he came to Hongkong and it makes it a little more difficult to reconcile oneself to the only solitary instance to the contrary.

Mr. Chatham—Just one or two remarks made by Mr. Humphreys in the first place he said this new bill conferred very great powers on the Building Authority, in so far as it even permitted him to dictate the number of rooms allowed in a house. Sir, the foundation for that clause in the bill is the report by the commission which considered the public question in that regard paragraph 7 states that the Building Authority should have power by law to require that in no case should a certain number of sub-divisions be exceeded on a floor. That committee consisted of the Colonial Secretary, myself, the M. O. H. and five unofficial members, so that the officials in that case were in distinct minority. With regard to the appeal to the Governor-in-Council I cannot quite understand what the objection to it is because I have a seat on the Executive Council but I have also a seat on this Board. If my powers of persuasion are so great in the case of the Executive Council it may be assumed they would be equally great when I come before the Board (laughter) but perhaps the members of the Board are more stubborn (laughter).

Mr. Hooper—You have only to convince one man in the Legislative Council. It is not taken by majority.

Mr. Chatham—Oh, yes as a rule. Section 175 had been amended already by the passing of Ordinance 8 of 1907, which made a very important modification in the powers contained in that section. With regard to the case to which he specifically referred, where he stated I admitted it amounted to confiscation, my statement was that on the fact as stated by Mr. Humphreys it was not confiscation, but, of course, whether these facts were as stated was not within my knowledge.

Dr. Atkinson—Is it other member has any general remarks to make on the bill I would now propose the suspension of the Standing Order to allow the Board to go into Committee.

Mr. Hooper—I do not think we ought to go into Committee on this; there are questions of principles to discuss.

Dr. Atkinson—It simply allows freer discussion and less formality.

The Board proceeded to consider the principles alluded to by Mr. Hooper, the first being the constitution of the Board, as dealt with in section 4 of the Amending Ordinance.

Mr. Hooper, after reading the section—The difficulty which arises in the amendment of the subject is that we have no definition of the word "Sanitary Department," and consequently we do not know what forms a Sanitary Department. There is no definition in the Ordinance when it was first created, No 23 of 1903. In fact they struck out throughout the Ordinance "Officers of the Sanitary Department." It seems to me that before we can settle the constitution of the Board we ought to have a definition of Sanitary Department and the duties clearly defined of the Administrative Head of that department. Broadly speaking, the Governor thinks that he is the head of a Department of men and the whole of them constituted to carry out the orders of the Board. If that is so and the Board is to suppress it, I am perfectly satisfied, but there is a great doubt about it. I think a test case would be this: Is every communication received and sent by the Administrative Head of the Sanitary

Department to be available to this Board or is it to be conducted and carried on a correspondence with the Government and the information contained in that correspondence not to be available to us. Is he virtually to be one of our servants?

Dr. Atkinson—I think not.

Mr. Hooper—That I am against the recommendation and would move that the Government be requested to do away with the Sanitary Department and make up the Sanitary Board as prior to Ordinance 23 of 1903. The Governor apparently takes a little different view from the Captain Superintendent of Police if I read his speech aright. He says he shall consult the Sanitary Board on any suggested changes in the Sanitary Bylaws; that he shall inform the Board of any change in the organization of the staff; that he shall inform them regarding any recommendations for appointment, leave or dismissal; and that he shall lay before them any complaint of the public regarding the staff.

Captain Lyons—Quite so! Mr. Hooper—And therefore you think I should be permitted to correspond with the Government about matters and the information not to be available to the Board.

Captain Lyons—No, I say it should be available to the Board but it should be in his department subject to the advice of the Sanitary Board.

Mr. Hooper—And not instructions? You say advice? If it is instructions I agree with you.

Captain Lyons—You can say instructions.

Mr. Hooper—Then I agree with you. Mr. Lau Chu Pak—Then in that case the Board is supreme!

Captain Lyons—If he disagreed from the Board he would submit his views to the Government, who would decide. I do not see how a person who comes here once a fortnight could manage the department.

Mr. Hooper—No, that is why we want a glorified secretary—a man of calibre, rank and distinction such as we have with us today.

Mr. Messer—You are very complimentary.

Mr. Hooper—That was our recommendation most distinctly. It was not proposed the Board should come in at intervals and be asked to come back to what are to be the powers of the Administrative Head?

Captain Lyons—That would be drawn up by the Government and submitted to the Board.

Mr. Hooper—Is he to be under the instruction of the Board? That is what it amounts to.

Mr. Slade—I gather he would be under the instruction of the board, subject to the supreme instruction of the Government.

Mr. Hooper—You mean the Government have the power to over-ride our instruction?

Mr. Slade—Yes.

Dr. Atkinson—If he were under the control of the Board he would no longer be a Government official; it would be a municipal council.

Mr. Hooper—The old red herring! Mr. Irving—What would be the position of an officer who fulfilled the orders of the Sanitary Board against the Government's wishes?

Mr. Hooper—He could appeal to the Government.

Mr. Irving—I cannot see how it would.

Dr. Atkinson—Mr. Hooper has moved that there be no such thing as a Sanitary Department. Does anybody second that?

Mr. Hooper—Instead of that, I would move that the head of the Sanitary Department be under the orders of the Board.

Mr. Lau Chu Pak seconded, and on a vote being taken only Messrs. Messer, Fung Wa Chun and Lau Chu Pak supported the motion, which was declared lost.

Mr. Hooper—Now we come to the Medical Officer of Health. I move that the M. O. H. be not a member of the Board, and in doing so I would quote from the appendix in the report of the Commission, in which it was stated that this was proposed in 1895 and strongly objected to. I think the objection is perfectly reasonable, because if a man applies for exemption for a high yard, or anything like that, our Medical Officer of Health has to advise us.

Mr. Fung Wa Chun seconded.

Captain Lyons—I do not see why he should not be a member of the Board.

Mr. Humphreys—I do. A Secretary of a company or a Manager of a factory is not in to Directors' meeting and asked for his opinion but he is not allowed to vote.

Captain Lyons—A Secretary of a company is not in the same position as an expert.

Mr. Humphreys—The Manager of a factory is not in the same position.

Mr. Slade—He is much freer if he has no vote. If he makes a minute and has a vote he is practically bound by his minute. But if he has no vote he can change his mind and assist the board to arrive at a better understanding.

The motion was put to the meeting and declared carried by five to three.

Mr. Hooper further moved that the Captain Superintendent of Police be a member of the Board.

Mr. Fung Wa Chun seconded and the motion was carried on a vote.

Mr. Hooper—I propose the building work should be handed over to a Building Engineer. The arguments which have been put forward against this proposal are that 1890 per year, which it is proposed to give him, would not be enough for the class of man which would be required.

Mr. Chatham rejoined out that such a man as such a salary would have no standing among his professional brethren who commanded much higher remuneration in the Colony.

Mr. Hooper could not see why a suitable man could not be procured for the salary; seeing that the D. P. W. and his assistant had carried on the duties of the past.

Captain Lyons—Would there be sufficient work for a really good man?

Mr. Hooper—One must do it at present. Captain Lyons—The Government appear to have decided against such an appointment and they will have more information on the matter than us.

The matter then lapsed.

The bill will be further discussed at a later date.

Certain proposed by-laws were passed and the meeting adjourned.

John Chiaman is not supposed in this country to have a very high standard of morality, says an American paper, and we have heard about his devotion to the opium habit and other degrading vices. He may be ignorant, according to the paper, but he is wiser than many of our own people. The American Tobacco Company introduced the cigarette in the Celestial Empire, confident that it would be taken up by a vast demand. In this they were mistaken, for the natives refused to use the weed in that shape. The Chinese evidently have limits beyond which they are unwilling to go. The American Tobacco company will have to keep the cigarettes at home and sell them to the more enlightened youth of the United States.

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All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 9th of April, at 9.30 a.m.

All Claims must reach us before the 13th of April, 1908, or they will not be recognized.
No Fire Insurance will be effected.
Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the Undersigned.

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F. J. ABBOTT, Acting Superintendent.
Hongkong, April 3, 1908. 519

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The style of the winning design is English Renaissance, and it is suggested that it should be built of Portland stone of Portland stone colour with columns of Tiverton granite.

WEATHER REPORT.

The following notice is issued by Mr. Figg of the Hongkong Observatory:—On the 7th at 11 a.m. the depression lying over N. Japan yesterday has moved into the Pacific, and the barometer has risen considerably over S. Japan, but it is inclined to give way again along the Yangtze. It is still relatively low over Hongkong and the S.W. part of the China Sea.

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PROGRAMME.

Part I.

1—Grand Descriptive Naval Selection 'A life on the Ocean'.....Binding Orchestra.

2—Song (descriptive) 'The Lily of Sabana' A. A. Smith, Cpl., R.M.L.I.

3—Song 'The Link Divine'.....Pice Jouni J. Crumer, C.S.B.S., H.M.S. Kent.

4—Bassoon Solo 'Lucy Long'.....Godfrey Mr. Haydn.

5—Violon Solo 'Selvado'.....H.B. Hartley, R.F.A., H.M.S. Kent.

6—Two Flutes (a) 'Humoresque'.....Dronk Orchestra.

(b) 'Hungarian Dance'.....Brains Orchestra.

7—Skit from 'Black Eyed Susan' W. W. Davis, L.C., R.M.L.I.

H.M.S. Merlin.

8—Song 'Lullaby' The Society Idol H. J. Coker, R.F.A., H.M.S. Redford.

9—Chinese Lullaby.....Mistification A. Niles, A.B., H.M.S. Kent.

10—Overture 'Mou of Prometheus'.....Baethoven Orchestra.

Interval.

Part II.

11—March of Triumph 'Entry of the Gladiators'.....Fack orchestra.

12—Song (Patriotic) 'Britannia's Boys in Blue'.....Bennett Scott J. H. Hamilton, Ldg. Stoker, H.M.S. Alcester.

13—Song 'An Evening Song' Blumfeldt W. Green, R.F.A., H.M.S. King Alfred.

14—Country Girl Monoton H. B. Hartley, R.F.A., H.M.S. Kent.

15—Fiddle Solo 'Silver Bells' Le Thiers Musician Harry.

16—Song Comic 'That is Woman's way' H. J. Coker, R.F.A., H.M.S. Redford.

17—Grand Selection 'Lohengrin' Wagner Orchestra.

18—Recreation.....The Dash for the Colours.....F. G. Webb Mr. W. H. Kuntzley.

19—Ladies Items to be arranged.

20—Descriptive March.....Coronation Bells.....Partridge Orchestra.

21—Sketch Farce.....'Aunt Matilda's Visit'.....Company from Kent (Specially written by H. B. Hartley, R.F.A., H.M.S. Kent).

Tickets: Dress Circle \$3, Stall \$2.

Box and Gallery \$1.

Tickets may be booked at Messrs. S. MOUTRIE & CO. LTD., and the SAILORS' AND SOLDIERS' HOME, Arsenal Street.

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NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD, BREMEN.

STEAM FOR SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, HIOGO, YOKOHAMA & KOBE.

THE Steamship 'YOKO'.

Captain T. RANDELMAN will leave for the above places TO-MORROW (WEDNESDAY), the 8th inst., at Noon.

For further particulars, apply to

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INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FROM CALCUTTA, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

THE Company's Steamship 'Laisang' having arrived from the above Ports Consignees of Cargo by her are hereby informed that their goods will be delivered from alongside.

Cargo impeding the discharge or remaining on board after 4 p.m. on the 8th inst. will be landed at Consignees' risk and expense.

No Fire Insurance will be effected. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

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NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

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having arrived from the above Ports Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their goods, with the exception of Opium, Tobacco and Valuables, are being landed and stored at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, Kowloon, whence delivery may be obtained.

Optional cargo will be forwarded unless notice to the contrary be given before Wednesday, the 7th of April, at Noon.

No claims will be admitted after the 1st of April, will be subject to rent.

All Broken, Chafed, and Damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 14th of April, at 9.30 a.m.

All claims must reach us before the 18th of April, 1903, or they will not be recognized.

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VESSLS AT THE DOCKS.

At Kowloon—Nell McClellan, Sergeant, H.M.S. Hardy, H.M.S. Moorhead, Haimun, Nautilus, Neumbe, Standard.

At Aberdeen—America Maru.

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To-day's Advertisements

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SWATOW & FOOSHOW.

THE Company's Steamship 'HAIMUN'.

Captain A. J. ROSSON, will be despatched for the above Ports on THURSDAY, the 9th inst., at Noon.

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STEAMERS PASSED BY CANAL

(SPECIAL BY RETEL).

March 3, Boudier.

March 10, Benishive, Dan of Airie, Silesia (Ger).

March 13, Alkhuza, Oceanian, Titan, March 17, Japan, Senegambia, Genear, Aridistan, Headley.

March 20, Australian, Clavina, Onyia, Kanagawa Maru, Poon, Koon.

March 24, Antenor, Bencon, Dardanus, Rhenania, Saenzia, Ancheraden, Otingo, Lachia, Shimosa, Amiral Duperre, St. Dunstan.

March 27, Brigancia Canton, Diomed, Samsara, Jauri, Machan, Batuna, Inverce.

April 3, Gothen, Candia, Palma, Yarra, Colombo Maru, Kowachi Maru, Yangtze.

STEAMER MOVEMENTS.

Mails.

The M.M. Co.'s steamer 'Australia' with the FREZZE MAIL of the 15th March, and mails from London of the 14th March, will leave Singapore on Monday, the 6th April, and will leave for Shanghai and Japan on the same afternoon.

The P. M. S. S. Co.'s steamer 'Yokohama' on April 4th, and will be due to arrive at this port from San Francisco via Japan Ports and Shanghai on April 14th.

Expected.

The German steamship 'Borneo' left Sandakan on Saturday, the 4th April, p.m., and may be expected here on or about Friday, the 10th April, a.m.

The N. Y. K. Co.'s 'Kuremaru Maru' (Australian Line) left Thursday Island for this port via Manila on the 2nd April, and is expected here on the 13th April.

The Boston S. S. Co.'s s.s. 'Kumera' left Seattle on the 31st March.

The Barber Line s.s. 'Daer Castle' left New York on 28th March.

The Boston S. S. Co.'s s.s. 'Tremont' sailed from Yokohama for Pacific Coast on 28th March.

Latest Advice.

The H. A. L. Co.'s 'Belgravia' left Shanghai on 4th April, p.m., and may be expected here on the 8th April, p.m.

The Indo-China S. N. Co.'s s.s. 'Yangtze' left Shanghai for this port on 4th April, and may be expected here on or about the 8th April.

The N. Y. K. Co.'s 'Tamba Maru' (European Line) left Kobe for this port via Moji and Shanghai on the 4th April, and is expected here on the 13th April.

The N. Y. K. Co.'s 'Kagoshima Maru' (Bombay Line) left Singapore for this port on the 4th April, and is expected here on the 14th April.

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